

100,000 pounds of fresh fruit and vegetables have been distributed to the needy in northern Virginia, Washington, and suburban Maryland just in the past 2 months.

As great as our Nation is, poverty and need still exist. The innercities, Appalachia, small towns, Indian Reservations, and rural areas all have people in need of assistance. Christian Relief Services is meeting these needs, and has been for 10 years, by giving people a hand up, not a hand out. This is their motto, and through long-term development projects they are providing people with the foundations they need to improve their lives for themselves. Organic gardening programs on the Pine Ridge Reservation and vocational-technological classes in West Virginia are but two examples.

Long-term development is a focus of Christian Relief Services projects overseas, as well. The Kip Keino Children's Home in Eldoret, Kenya, in addition to giving abused and abandoned children a safe and supportive place to live and grow, provides for their education, and allows them to become happy, productive members of society. Currently, 68 children live at the home. Over the years, 90 children have been rescued by the home and given new lives.

Pick up today's newspaper and you will read of far-off lands in turmoil: Haiti, Bosnia, Rwanda, Somalia. Within the past year alone, Christian Relief Services has shipped countless tons of emergency medical supplies, food, clothing, building materials, and other relief items to refugees from these areas. As our Government appears to be pulling inward, it is important and commendable for Christian Relief Services to reach out an American hand to those less fortunate in places some would write off as not being in our national interest to help.

Christian Relief Services is about connecting with people, about caring for them and their families, and about making a difference in their lives.

For 10 years, Christian Relief Services has made a difference in the lives of many people. Each day, this number grows. For this reason, and on behalf of these people, I would like to say thank you, Christian Relief Services, for 10 years of service to humanity, for making the world a less harsh place, for feeding those who are hungry, for providing the supplies to make well those who are sick, and for giving hope to those who had none.

#### TRIBUTE TO DAN ZENO ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

#### HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 27, 1995*

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding individual and a good friend of Ohio, Dan Zeno, who is retiring on June 30, 1995, after a distinguished career with Ohio Edison.

An Ohio native, Dan graduated from Toronto High School in Toronto, OH, and served as a sergeant in the United States Army in Korea from 1950 to 1953. After the Army, Dan pursued a degree in finance at Kent State University. In 1961, he began a career in public service at the Akron Area Chamber of Com-

merce. While there, he was responsible for designing a financial plan enabling the city to participate in urban renewal projects of over \$100 million.

Before coming to Ohio Edison, Dan was director of finance for the city of Akron. As its chief financial officer and a member of the mayor's cabinet, he was responsible for long-range planning, budgeting, debt management and accountability of all city funds.

Through the years Dan has been active in a variety of community and business groups. He is on the board of directors of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce, the board of trustees of the Ohio Public Expenditure Council, and a member of the Akron Regional Development Board Taxation Committee among others. In addition, he is a visiting lecturer at Akron University and involved with the Weathervane Community Playhouse.

Mr. Speaker, it is obvious that the Akron community and the State of Ohio have benefited greatly from Dan's hard work and dedication over the years. His service is a model of citizenship. I ask my colleagues to join me today in wishing Dan Zeno and his wife June well as they begin this new chapter in their lives.

#### IN MEMORY OF JOHN B. VEACH, SR.

#### HON. CHARLES H. TAYLOR

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 27, 1995*

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a very special person from western North Carolina, John "Jack" B. Veach, Sr. Jack passed away on Thursday, June 19, at the age of 95. With great sadness, I offer my condolences to his wife Jane, and his son, John B. Veach, Jr. Jack was a pioneer in North Carolina's timber industry and one of the great leaders of the community.

Jack was respected by those in commerce and public service for his outstanding leadership and great inspiration to all the people of North Carolina. His energy and love for helping those in the community kept him involved in public service up to the final days of his life. Much of his success in business and politics can be attributed to the fact that he was a true gentleman.

Jack was nationally known for his work as a forester in the timber industry. He was past president of Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers Inc., American Forest Products Industries, National Manufacturers Association, North Carolina Forestry Association, and Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce. He was voted Man of the Year by the Southern Hardwood Lumber Association, and twice voted Man of the Year by the North Carolina Forestry Association. In 1985, the Southern Appalachian Multiple Use Council honored Jack for having the most influence over western North Carolina forestry during the past 50 years. In 1993, he was inducted into the Western North Carolina Agricultural Hall of Fame as a forester and civic leader. His strongest efforts were always centered toward the regeneration of the forests in western North Carolina. These efforts led to the creation of the Cradle of Forestry Discovery Center, where others could be taught forestry and en-

vironmental stewardship. In 1987, Jack was named to the Forestry Advisory Council, that reviews forestry division programs.

Jack's other interests included his businesses and helping the community. He was a cofounder and chairman of Western Carolina Bank and a past director of Carolina Power & Light Co. At one time, he operated Benis Hardware Lumber Co., Williams-Bronwell planing mill, Educational Lumber, and Veach-May-Wilson, Inc. Jack was chairman of the United Way of Asheville and Buncombe County. He was a member of the All Saints Church in Mills River and an integral part of the Republican Party.

Jack Veach was an innovator in the timber industry and a leader in the community. His energy and excitement motivated our community. The loss of this remarkable man will be felt by all.

#### RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

#### HON. BUD SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 27, 1995*

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in support of National Amateur Radio Week which runs from June 18 to 24. I would like to take time to recognize this activity, the people involved in it and the service to our country which it performs.

Currently, there are over 500,000 amateur radio operators in the United States and approximately 2,500,000 amateur, ham, radio operators worldwide. And, due to the many technological advances which have made our world smaller and even the most remote village accessible, ham radio operation has become an increasingly popular hobby. Countless friendships have been formed over the airwaves. In some cases, people have even found their spouse through ham radio communication.

While amateur radio allows its users to learn the similarities and differences between one another's geographies and cultures, it performs a significant service to our Nation. In times of crisis or tragedy ham radio operators form networks providing information and lines of communication which would otherwise be inaccessible. Several national organizations have formal agreements with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service [ARES] and other amateur radio groups. These groups include the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the National Weather Service, and the National Communications System.

In conclusion Mr. Speaker, I applaud all those who helped to make National Amateur Radio Week a reality. I believe this to be a wonderful activity which in time of need, performs a wonderful service to our Nation.